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SUBJECT: CANADIAN SECTOR PROPOSALS: CANADIAN TARIFF ITEMS

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1. SINCE TIME OF U.S.-CANADIAN BILATERALS AT END OF OCTOBER ON NONFERROUS METALS AND END OF NOVEMBER ON FOREST PRODUCTS, U.S. MTN DEL HAS PERIODICALLY ASKED CANADIAN MTN DEL AND OTTAWA VISITORS (JOYCE AND LATIMER) WHEN WE COULD EXPECT TO RECEIVE TABLES OF CANADIAN TARIFF ITEMS SHOWING ITEM-BY-ITEM RATE EQUALIZATION BASED ON U.S. TRADE ACT AUTHORITY APPLIED TO TSUS. CANADIAN ANSWER HAS ALWAYS BEEN THAT SERIES OF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH CANADIAN TARIFF CONCORDANCE WITH TSUS HAS SLOWED WORK. CANADIAN MTN DEL HAS ALSO COMPLAINED THAT AGENCIES IN OTTASA HAVE NOT GIVEN PROJECT THE PRIORITY CANADIANS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HERE BELIEVE IT SHOULD RECEIVE.

2. CANADIAN MTN DEL GAVE US SEVERAL DAYS AGO THE TABLES OF CANADIAN TARIFF ITEMS FOR NONFERROUS METALS. HOWEVER, IT CALLED BACK SAME DAY TO ASK THEY BE RETURNED TO CANADIAN DEL FOR CORRECTIONS, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO BINDINGS. CANADIAN DEL SAID THEY HOPED

TO PROVIDE CORRECTIONS FOR NONFERROUS METALS AND TABLES OF CANADIAN FOREST PRODUCT TARIFF ITEMS BEFORE END OF APRIL.

- 3. CANADIANS IN THE PAST HAVE BEEN SENSITIVE ABOUT USG PROVIDING THESE MATERIALS TO ISACS, AT LEAST AT THIS STAGE. THEY VIEW MATERIALS AS REQUESTS AND POTENTIAL OFFERS AND HAVE THEREFORE LABELLED THEM CONFIDENTIAL.N WE HAVE ALWAYS RESPONDED THAT WE DID NOT KNOW MANNER IN WHICH INFORMATION WOULD BE CONVEYED TO ISACS, BUT THAT WE COULD NOT PROVIDE SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE TO THERI PROPOSALS IN ABSENCE OF CONSULTATIONS WITH ISACS.
- 4. IF WE DO NOT RECEIVE CORRECTED CANADIAN TABLES ON NONFERROUS METALS AND NEW TABLES ON FOREST PRODUCTS BY END OF APRIL WE SHALL REMIND THEM OF OUR DESIRE FOR THERI EARLY RECEIPT.CULBERT

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